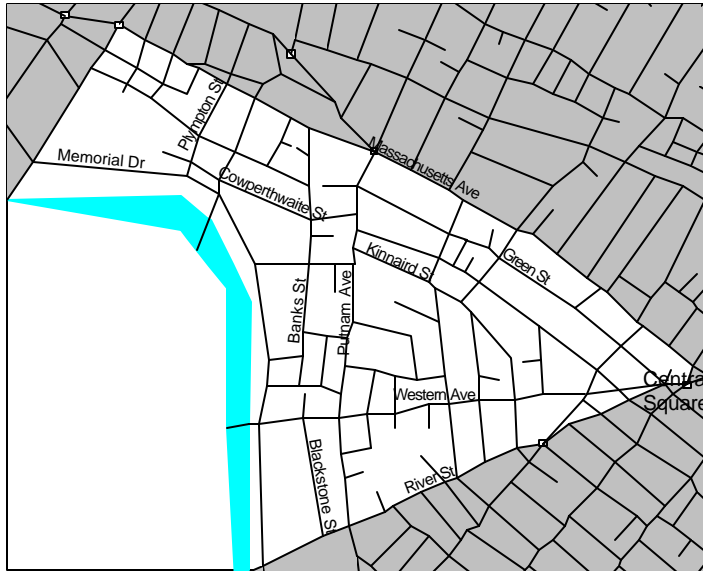
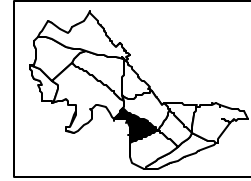


NEIGHBORHOOD 7

RIVERSIDE



BOUNDARIES: bordered by Massachusetts Avenue, River Street, the Charles River, and JFK Street

POPULATION: 10,432 residents
3,341 households

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:
\$27,415

Neighborhood #7 is encompassed within the patrol boundaries of Car 3 (2 officer cars) and Cars 6R and 10R (1 officer cars). Also included within its boundaries are walking routes 7A and 7B.

2002 THIRD QUARTER REVIEW

Housebreaks (-31%) were sporadic in nature with no discernible spatial or temporal trend identified during the third quarter of 2002 in the Riverside neighborhood. Two reports on each street were reported on Putnam Ave, Western Ave, and Kinnaird Street, but do not appear to be related after further analysis. • After not recording a street robbery during the first three months of the year, there have been nine registered since April. A West Newton man was arrested after he had hit the victim over the head with a brick to rob the victim of his wallet. • One third (11 incidents) of **auto thefts** (-31%) in this neighborhood occurred in the third quarter. This crime reported the largest decrease in this neighborhood. Consistent with long trends, the thefts occurred overnight when the motor vehicles were parked during various days. River Street reported three incidents at the beginning of the quarter, the most of any street in this neighborhood. • There were two **drug arrests** in Riverside over the last 90 days. Both arrests were subsequent arrests when the Cambridge men were searched. • Despite the fact that **larceny from motor vehicles** (+22%) increased slightly, it is important to note no thefts were reported for the entire month of September, noting a decrease in this crime. • **Malicious destruction** reports a decrease by 14 incidents (-16%) from last year, but it remains a problem in this area, particularly in the concern of graffiti. The graffiti has concentrated on commercial establishments in the Harvard Square area.

COMPARISON OF TARGET CRIME STATISTICS THIRD QUARTER 2001 & 2002

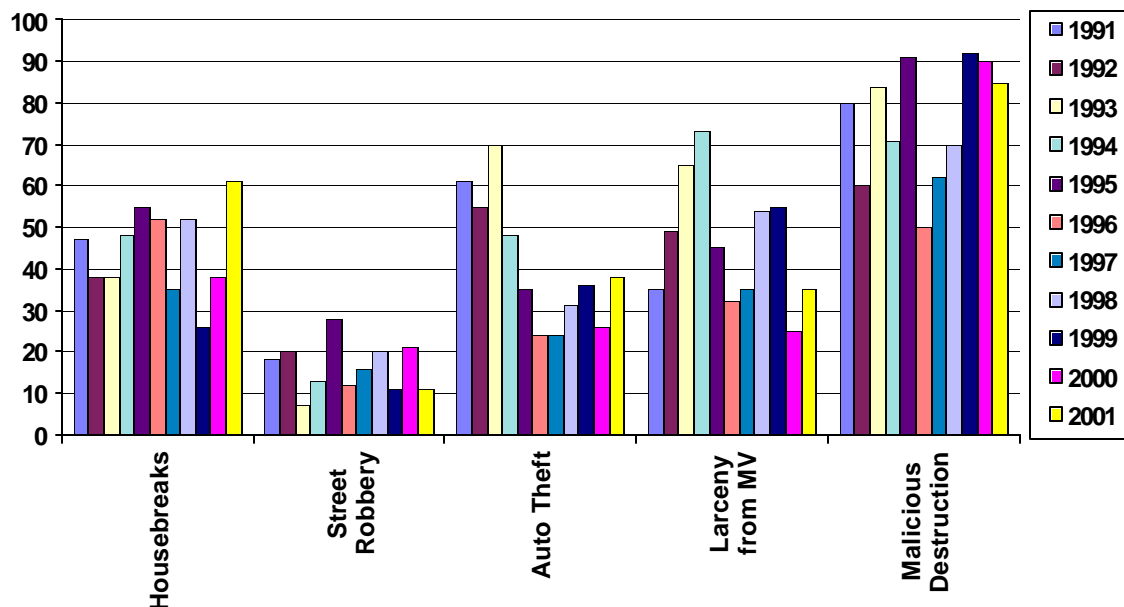
| CRIME | 3 rd Q 2001 | 3 rd Q 2002 | % CHANGE |
|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------|
| Housebreaks | 45 | 31 | -31% |
| Street Robbery | 8 | 9 | +13% |
| Auto Theft | 42 | 29 | -31% |
| Larceny from MVs | 27 | 33 | +22% |
| Malicious Destruction | 85 | 71 | -16% |
| Drug Arrests | 18 | 13 | -28% |

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

Riverside has the fourth highest population in the city, but it ranks well below the average for almost all index crimes. Along with its ten-thousand residents, Riverside has two housing developments (Putnam Gardens and the River-Howard homes), two major parks (Hoyt Field and Riverside Press Park), and many commercial establishments along Massachusetts Avenue, River Street, and Western Avenue. Several Harvard University dormitories and other properties occupy the northwestern quarter. Riverside's borders also encompass the United States Post Office and the Cambridge Police Department headquarters.

Harvard University, which has its own police department, patrols Harvard property in the northwestern part of the neighborhood. Our statistics do not reflect most incidents that occur on university property.

- **Malicious destruction** is the only crime that has not shown a significant average decline in Riverside since the 1980s, though it is low compared to the rest of the city. Most of this vandalism occurs to motor vehicles. Occasional patterns of this crime over long holiday weekends have been a problem in the past.
- **Street robberies** are on the low side for a neighborhood of Riverside's population, although it has increased since last year. Most of these incidents are on Broadway, although they are spread about the neighborhood. Riverside has an exceptionally low **housebreak** rate for its size; but this too has had a substantial increase from last year's statistics.
- There were 20 arrests for **drugs** this quarter compared to this time last year, which had 27 arrests.
- **Auto theft** and **larceny from motor vehicles** have both declined when compared to this time frame last year.



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR RIVERSIDE AREA TARGET CRIMES

| Crime | 1981-1990 | Rank 81-90* | 1991-2000 | Rank 91-00* | Rank 2001* |
|-----------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| Housebreaks | 83 | 7 | 43 | 6 | 3 |
| Street Robbery | 34 | 4 | 17 | 6 | 5 |
| Auto Theft | 92 | 9 | 41 | 9 | 7 |
| Larceny from MVs | 87 | 7 | 48 | 9 | 9 |
| Malicious Destruction | 78 | 9 | 74 | 8 | 5 |

*Ranks are out of 13 neighborhoods, with 1 indicating the highest crime rate and 13 the lowest